Mr. C. V. Iyyu *(Kunnamkulam):* Do the Government know that the locality is mostly inhabited by backward communities and depressed class people?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction):* Government have absolutely no reason to question that statement.

Mr. C. V. Iyyu *(Kunnamkulam):* In that case why can't you start a school for the purpose of these backward classes?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction):* Out of the 40 pupils 20 are already attending another school. You have no means to compel everyone to attend the school.

Mr. C. V. Iyyu *(Kunnamkulam):* Boys of 4 and 5 have to cross to Choondal during floods.

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction):* Children of 4 and 5 will not be admitted.

Mr. K. R. Viswambharan *(Ezhuvas-Talappalli):* What is the minimum age?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction* There is no minimum age. Usually we have fixed the age at 6 years.

MUSIC INSTITUTION, TRICHUR—PARTICULARS REGARDING

113. Mr. V. N. Damodaran Nambiar *(Trippunittura):* Will the Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) the number of students studying music in the Music Institution at Trichur;
  (*i*) for the Junior,
  (*ii*) for the Intermediate,
  (*iii*) for the Senior;

(*b*) the number of students who have passed the Senior Examination from the Institution till now;

(*c*) the number of years a student has to study before he is allowed to appear for the Senior Examination;

(*d*) are private candidates allowed to sit for any of the above examinations without putting in the regular course of studies?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction):*

(*a*)

Preliminary	..	8
Junior	..	20
Senior	..	3
Veena Class	..	6

(*b*) 11.

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(*c*) 8 years (Preliminary 4 years, Junior 2 years and Senior 2 years).

(*d*) Teachers in service are alone allowed to appear privately.

Mr. V. N. Damodaran Nambiar *(Trippunittura):* How long is it since this institution is started?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction):* Four or five years back. Before that, there was a class there, not a Music school.

Mr. V. N. Damodaran Nambiar *(Trippunittura):* Is there any objection to allow private candidates to appear for the senior examination?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction):* Certain rules are framed and so long as those rules are in force, we have to follow them. Until those rules are altered, this question will not arise.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar *(Nellayi):* By whom is the Music Examination conducted?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction):* By the Board of Examiners.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar *(Nellayi):* Why are private candidates not admitted?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction):* Sometimes we get candidates from outside.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar *(Nellayi):* Who are the Examiners this year?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction):* This is confidential.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar *(Nellayi):* Is the Board appointed by Government?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction):* Yes.

Mr. A. B. Salem *(Mattancheri):* Is there any minimum literary qualification fixed?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction):* Yes, Form III.

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